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SUBJECT: CHILEAN RADICAL PARTY VISIT TO U.S.

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- 1. WE HAVE EXCHANGED SEVERAL MESSAGES WITH EMBASSY LONDON CONCERNING THE VISIT TO THE U.S. OF CHILEAN RADICAL PARTY LEADER ANSELMO SULE AND CARLOS PARRA. THESE MESSAGES ARE BEING REPEATED TO YOU FOR YOUR INFORMATION: LONDON 05346; LONDON 04050; LONDON 02583; STATE 042814; SANTIAGO 969; LONDON 01859 EXDIS.
- 2. AS YOU WILL NOTE FROM THESE MESSAGES, SOCIALIST INTERNATIONAL (SI) TOOK FORMAL ACTION IN NOTIFYING US CONFIDENTIAL

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THAT SULE WAS NOT RPT NOT TRAVELING TO U.S. UNDER SI AUSPICES NOR AS REPRESENTATIVE OF THE SI. SI TOLD AMEMBASSY LONDON CONFIDENTIALLY THAT DECISION TO DISAVOW ANY CONNECTION WITH THE TRIP WAS TAKEN IN CONSULTATION WITH WILLY BRANDT AND WAS DUE TO SI'S CONTINUING INVESTIGATION OF CORRUPTION CHARGES AGAINST SULE. AN ADDITIONAL CAUTION TO US WAS FACT THAT CHILEAN RADICAL PARTY

IS SPLIT IN VARIOUS FACTIONS; WE DID NOT WISH TO LEND APPEARANCE OF USG SUPPORT FOR ONE OR ANOTHER OF THESE FACTIONS.

- 3. SULE, PARRA AND TWO OTHER RADICAL PARTY FIGURES HAVE BEEN IN WASHINGTON SINCE APRIL 10. APPOINTMENTS WERE ARRANGED FOR THEM WITH ARA DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY MCNEIL AND HA DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY SCHNEIDER. WE DECLINED TO TAKE RESPONSIBILITY FOR SEEKING OTHER APPOINTMENTS IN USG OR U.S. PRIVATE SECTOR, WHICH THEY HAD REQUESTED. WE ARE AWARE THAT THEY HAVE SEEN SOME LOWERLEVEL OFFICIALS IN OTHER DEPARTMENTS, SOME CONTACTS ON THE HILL, AND SOME PRIVATE ORGANIZATIONS. ALL OF THESE ACTIVITIES HAVE BEEN ARRANGED BY BIRNS OF COHA.
- 4. ESSENCE OF CONVERSATIONS IN STATE DEPARTMENT WAS SOUNDING OUT OF OUR VIEWS ON SITUATION IN CHILE AND APPEAL FOR USG SUPPORT. CHRISTOPHER

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